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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following documents:

United States Patents

<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
519,553	Rounds	05-08-1894
2,664,792	Cook	01-05-1954
3,529,315	Dunlap et al.	09-22-1970
4,373,445	Köbler	02-15-1983
4,895,071	Benton	01-23-1990
5,138,740	Goodnow et al.	08-18-1992
5,974,966	Bruni	11-02-1999
6,068,272	Eskelinen	05-30-2000
6,202,252	Harrisson	03-20-2001
6,361,656	Rata	03-26-2002
6,447,646	Hassinen et al.	09-10-2002
6,651,303	Toivanen et al.	11-25-2003
6,682,012	Parviainen et al.	01-27-2004

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US 2001/0052401 A1	Kirjava et al.	12-20-2001

Foreign Patent Documents

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WO	00/15904	Kirjava et al.	03-23-2000
WO	02/099189	Eskelinen	12-12-2002


Other Documents

“ValEco Valmet doctor blade” product flyer, Metso Paper, Inc.

Copies of the non U.S. documents are submitted herewith along with Form PTO/SB/08A and Form PTO/SB/08B.

Applicant respectfully requests that these documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "documents cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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